(c) Yes, Sir. MOUs have been signed by Gujarat Corporation with the following Israeli Coys :—

(i) The Eisenberg Group.

(ii) Dead Sea Works.

(iii) Agricultural Development Co.

(iv) Agricultural Export Co.

(v) The Elul Group.

(vi) Natafim Yiftah Irrigation Equipment and Drip Systems.

(vii) Tahal Group.

(viii) The Jacob Blaustein Institute.

Assistance from World Bank for Earthquake Victims

106. SHRI SHIV PRATAP MISHRA :
SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM :
SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA :

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the World Bank team has visited India to study in depth the problems caused by recent earthquake that struck Osmanabad and Latur district of Maharastra ;

(b) if so, whether the World Bank have provided any kind of assistance to Government ;

(c) if so, the details thereof ; and

(d) the manner in which the Central and State Governments propose to spend the assistance provided by the World Bank ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM) : (a) to (d) A World Bank Team visited India in November, 1993 to study the possibility of providing assistance for reconstruction in the districts affected by recent earthquake in Maharashtra. The size and type of assistance will be known only after the appraisal report is finalised.

Loss due to recent Floods in U.P.

107. CHOWDHRY HARI SINGH : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) what is the total amount of loss suffered by U.P. State due to destruction of properties and crops by the recent floods there ; and

(b) the total assistance sought by the State Government from the Centre in this regard and that actually provided by the Centre ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM) : (a) The total amount of loss suffered Uttar Pradesh due to destruction of properties and crops by the recent floods as reported by the Government of Uttar Pradesh is as follows :

Statement

(Rs. in crore)

(1) Damage to public properties such as roads, bridges, Govt. buildings, water and electricity supply system, irrigation flood protection works, schools hospitals	211.34
(2) Loss of crops . . .	402.48
(3) Damage caused to private houses	126.15

(b) The Government of Uttar Pradesh has submitted a memorandum seeking Central assistance of Rs. 211.24 crores. Under the existing scheme of financing relief expenditure, Government of India had released one instalment of Central share of Calamity Relief Fund amounting to Rs. 13.32 crores during the current year. Two instalments amounting to Rs. 26.64 crore due in 1993-94 were released in advance during 1992-93.

Spoiling Edible Oils by National Dairy Development Board

108. DR. BAPU KALDATE :
SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA :

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that thousands of tons of edible oils stored by the National Dairy Development Board for years together got spoiled and had become unfit for consumption ;